

MINNESOTA BOARD OF PHARMACY

SEVEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVENTH MEETING

At approximately 8:30 a.m., April 25, 2001, the Minnesota Board of Pharmacy met in Conference Room A, at the University Park Plaza, 2829 University Avenue SE, Minneapolis, Minnesota, for the purpose of conducting a general business meeting. All members of the Board were in attendance, with the exception of Ms. Carol Peterson and Mr. Tom Dickson. Also in attendance was the Board's Executive Director, Mr. David Holmstrom.

After reviewing and approving the agenda for this meeting, the Board addressed the minutes of the meeting of March 7, 2001. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the minutes be approved as written. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to applications to conduct new pharmacies, which it has received since its last meeting. The first such application was submitted on behalf of Children's Home Care Pharmacy, 2525 Chicago Avenue South, Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Mr. Bruce Thompson, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The second application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Cuyuna Lakes Pharmacy, in Crosby, Minnesota, by Mr. Michael Brauch, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The third application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Rochester, Minnesota, by Ms. Ann Lechner, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

The fourth application to conduct a new pharmacy, to be reviewed by the Board, was submitted on behalf of Walgreen's Pharmacy, in Coon Rapids, Minnesota, by Mr. Robert Hammons, Pharmacist-in-charge. After carefully reviewing this application and a diagram of the proposed pharmacy, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the application be approved and a license issued subject to the successful completion of an on-site inspection by a member of the Board's staff, to assure compliance with pharmacy Board rules dealing with licensure. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of continuing education programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force between the dates of February 13, 2001 and March 13, 2001, and between March 13, 2001 and April 10, 2001. After reviewing the list of programs submitted to and reviewed by the Continuing Education Advisory Task Force, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Ms. Jean Lemberg seconded that those programs recommended for approval be so approved, and that those programs for which denial of approval was recommended be denied. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board two letters from Mr. Earl John Poirier regarding the reinstatement of his license to practice pharmacy. Mr. Poirier did not complete his continuing education that was due October 1, 1996, and his license to practice pharmacy then lapsed on March 1st of 1997. Mr. Poirier has been out of pharmacy since that time. Mr. Poirier is now exploring the possibility of reinstating his license to practice pharmacy, and is petitioning the Board to grant him an exception to the Board's requirement of successful passing of the Board's practical examination and completion of 400 hours of practice experienced under the direction of a Minnesota licensed pharmacist before renewal of his license to practice pharmacy. After discussing Mr. Poirier's request, and observing that pharmacy practice has changed dramatically with many new drugs and new technologies being developed in the past five years, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that Mr. Poirier's request be denied and that he be required to fulfill all of the Board's requirements for reinstatement of a lapsed license. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a letter from Pharmacist Sharon Lichter. Ms. Lichter is requesting a variance from the Board that would allow her to register as a pharmacist preceptor, even though she is two months short of the two-year practice requirement for becoming a pharmacist preceptor. Ms. Lichter was licensed to practice pharmacy in July of 1999, and her two-year practice requirement would extend to July of 2001. Ms. Lichter is requesting the opportunity to act as a pharmacist preceptor for an intern beginning in May of 2001. After discussing options available to Ms. Lichter, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board approve Ms. Lichter as a registered preceptor and grant the variance she requested. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to the review of variance requests that have been submitted to the Board since its last meeting. The Board first addressed itself to new variance requests receiving their first reading. The first variance request to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of Bridges Medical Center Pharmacy, in Ada, Minnesota, by Mr. Gary Rosenau, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Rosenau is seeking a variance to MN Rule 6800.7400, subp. 2, regarding the amount of time a pharmacist must spend at a small hospital location that has a part-time licensed pharmacy. Mr. Rosenau is requesting a variance to the five days per week service requirement, due to the patient volume at the hospital. Currently, if a patient is admitted, the patient medications are put on a patient profile system and faxed to the local pharmacy. The medications that the patient will receive are prepared and dispensed from that site. The only medications that are prepared at the hospital site are IV or perenteral medications. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The next request for a variance to receive its first reading was submitted on behalf of the Woodbury HealthPartners Pharmacy, in Woodbury, Minnesota, by Mr. Brian Demuth, Pharmacist Operations Administrator for HealthPartners. Mr. Demuth is seeking a variance to the ratio of pharmacy technicians-to-pharmacists at the pharmacy. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was submitted on behalf of High Pointe Pharmacy, in Lake Elmo, Minnesota, by Mr. Greg Schad, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Schad is requesting a variance that would allow High Pointe Pharmacy to accept returns of medications dispensed in unit dose packaging to inmates at the Washington County Jail, in Stillwater, Minnesota. The medications sent to the jail are stored in a secured area under supervision of nurses employed by Washington County, and the drug storage area at the jail is inspected monthly by Mr. Schad for outdated drugs, proper storage, and proper refrigerator of those items that require refrigeration. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The next request for a variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of St. Luke's Hospital Pharmacy, in Duluth, Minnesota, by Mr. Mike Dudzik, Director of Pharmacy. Mr. Dudzik is requesting a variance that would allow the pharmacy at St. Luke's Hospital to expand a tech-check-tech program to include the stocking and checking of automated medication dispensing units at the hospital. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001. In the meantime, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to try to obtain more information on the type and operation of the automated distribution system used at St. Luke's Hospital.

The next request for a variance to be considered by the Board was actually three identical variances requested on behalf of Fairview Hiawatha Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Princeton, Minnesota, and Fairview Southdale Medical Pharmacy, in Edina, Minnesota. All three variances were submitted by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager for Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting a variance for each of the pharmacies that would allow the pharmacy to store some pharmacy records in a dedicated pharmacy storage cabinet within the larger storage area at the clinic located outside of the current licensed pharmacy area. The space would be used only for record retention for the pharmacy and would be accessible only by limited clinic staff, with keys, which use the area for other storage such as medical records. Mr. Vern Kassekert moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider these three requests immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the variances requested by Ms. Ganske for the three Fairview Clinics be approved for an indefinite period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance receiving its first reading was submitted on behalf of Alliance Clinic Pharmacy (a Methadone treatment program pharmacy that is not yet opened), by Ms. Kathleen Wickstrom, Clinic Director. Ms. Wickstrom is requesting variances relating to the security of the licensed area and the equipment requirements for licensed pharmacies. In keeping with its established policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The Board next turned its attention to the consideration of requests for extensions of previously granted variances, which are receiving their first reading.

The first such request for an extension was submitted on behalf of Caremark Pharmacy, in Roseville, Minnesota, by Ms. Debra Robison, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Robison is requesting a variance relating to the requirement for maintaining certain mortars, pestles, spatulas, etc., at the pharmacy. Caremark Pharmacy, being an IV homecare pharmacy, does not have a need for this equipment. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board suspend its policy requiring two readings for all variance requests and consider this request immediately. The motion passed.

Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Robison be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The second request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Children's Hospital, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Mr. Mark Thomas, Director of Pharmacy. Mr. Thomas is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance to the combined United and Children's Hospital Pharmacy regarding the tech-check-tech program and extended expiration dating for prepackaged pharmaceuticals, which is now supported by the United States Pharmacopia. Since Children's Hospital Pharmacy has now separated itself from affiliation with United Hospital Pharmacy, Mr. Thomas is requesting a separate approval for these variances. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on these requests immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variances requested by Mr. Thomas, on behalf of Children's Hospital Pharmacy, be approved for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The third request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of District One Hospital Pharmacy, in Faribault, Minnesota, by Ms. Teresa Stern, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Stern is requesting extensions of two previously granted variances. The first variance would allow her to continue as temporary pharmacist-in-charge at both the Rice County District One Hospital Pharmacy and at District One Community Pharmacy, while the second request would allow the use of pharmacy technicians in a ratio of three technicians to one pharmacist without any of the three technicians being certified. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the variances requested by Ms. Stern be approved for a three-month period of time. The motion passed.

The fourth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Eagan Pharmacy, in Eagan, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Fairview Eagan Pharmacy to secure and distribute sample medications for the physicians at the Fairview Eagan Clinic. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ganske be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The fifth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Lakes Pharmacy, in Lino Lakes, Minnesota, by Ms. Brenda Lambrecht, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Lambrecht is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Fairview Lakes Pharmacy to utilize the automated drug dispensing system technology to serve Fairview urgent care clinics in Bloomington, Highland Park, Eagan, and Eden Prairie with medication. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Lambrecht be approved for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The sixth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Elk River, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to provide a secure supply of prepackaged medications in the urgent care clinic. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ganske, on behalf of Fairview Northland Pharmacy – Elk River, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The seventh request for extensions of previously granted variances involved two variances previously granted to Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Princeton, Minnesota. The request for extension of these variances was submitted by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. The first variance allows Fairview Northland Pharmacy to provide a secure supply of prepackaged medications for the urgent care clinic affiliated with Fairview. The second variance allows the pharmacy to secure and distribute sample medications for physicians of the Fairview Northland Clinics, which are located within the Fairview Northland complex, in Princeton. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on these requests immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extensions to the previously granted variances requested by Ms. Ganske, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The eighth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Fairview Northland Pharmacy, in Zimmerman, Minnesota, by Ms. Lisa Ganske, Regional Manager of Fairview Pharmacy Services. Ms. Ganske is requesting an extension of the previously granted variance that allows this pharmacy to secure and distribute sample medications for the physicians at Fairview Zimmerman Clinic. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension to the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Ganske, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The ninth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Goodrich Pharmacy, in Anoka, Minnesota, by Mr. Steven Simenson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Simenson is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to accept returns of unit dose packaged medications from the Anoka County Correctional Facility. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on these requests immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension to the previously granted variances requested by Mr. Simenson, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The tenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of HealthPartners Pharmacy, in St. Cloud, Minnesota, by Mr. Dean Frolek, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Frolek is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allowed the pharmacy to secure and distribute sample medications for the physicians at the HealthPartners Central Minnesota Clinic. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Mr. Frolek, on behalf of HealthPartners Pharmacy, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The eleventh request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of LTC Prescription Providers, Inc., in Proctor, Minnesota, by Mr. Douglas White, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. White is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows the pharmacy to accept the return of unit dose packaged medications from the Wesley Residence, in Duluth, which is an assisted-living facility. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Mr. White, on behalf of LTC Prescription Providers, Inc., be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The twelfth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Setzer Pharmacy, in Roseville, Minnesota, by Mr. Peter Haas, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Haas is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows Ms. Terese Wynia, an LPN, who is employed as a pharmacy technician at the pharmacy to take verbal prescription orders from physician offices. In keeping with its policy of requiring two readings for variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading on June 14, 2001. In the meantime, Mr. Holmstrom was directed to invite Mr. Haas to attend the June Board meeting to discuss this request.

The thirteenth request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Target Pharmacy, in Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, by Ms. Ann Kantola, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Kantola is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance allowing Target Pharmacy to record prescription transfers electronically and print a monthly log of all outgoing transfers that would be kept on file for two years. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board suspend its policy of requiring two readings for all variance requests and act on this request immediately. The motion passed.

Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the extension of the previously granted variance requested by Ms. Kantola, on behalf of Target Pharmacy, be granted for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Mike Reinke and Mr. Dave Miller, from Fairview Pharmacy Services, appeared before the Board to discuss Fairview's proposal to move the Fairview University Westgate Specialty Pharmacy from its existing location to a new location in Minneapolis and, upon moving this pharmacy to its new site, installing an OptiFill II system on-site to automate the prescription filling process. As part of this procedure, a variance is necessary for the operation of the new automated system. The variance would be to allow the pharmacy to fill these prescriptions without having the original manufacturer's container follow along to the final pharmacist check. The OptiFill II system accomplishes this for the pharmacy by comparing a digital photo taken of the medication in each vial filled by the machine and comparing it to a database photo of the same medication selected via NDC number controls. In keeping with its

policy of requiring two readings for variance requests, the Board took this request under consideration and will give it the second reading at the Board's meeting of June 14, 2001.

The Board next began a general discussion of the need for requiring two readings of requests for extensions of previously granted variances. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved that the Board discontinue its policy of requiring two readings on requests for previously granted variances, but retain its policy of two readings for all new variance requests. Ms. Betty Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to new variances that are receiving their second readings. The first such request was submitted on behalf of Fairview Mesaba Pharmacy, by Mr. Jeff Shapiro, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Shapiro is requesting a variance that would allow the pharmacy to prepare starter packs of various medications to be dispensed by physicians at the Fairview Mesaba Clinic during hours when the pharmacy is not open. Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the variance requested by Mr. Shapiro be granted for a one-year period of time. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of Range Drug, in Crosby, Minnesota, by Mr. John Mateyka, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Mateyka is requesting a variance from the current technician-to-pharmacist ratio. After discussing Mr. Mateyka's request, and the options available to him, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that Board deny Mr. Mateyka's request for a three-to-one technician ratio. The motion passed.

The next request for a variance receiving its second reading was submitted on behalf of Rx Express Pharmacy, by Mr. Larry Lindberg, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Lindberg is also requesting a variance from the current technician-to-pharmacist ratio. Mr. Chuck Cooper then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the Board deny Mr. Lindberg's request. The motion passed.

The Board next turned its attention to requests for extensions of previously granted variances receiving their second reading.

The first such request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Coborns Pharmacy, in Sauk Centre, Minnesota, by Mr. Dennis Heinen, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Heinen is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allows him to establish an emergency medication box for St. Michael's Hospice. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the Board extend the previously granted variance for an additional one-year period of time, and that Mr. Heinen be requested to report back on the usage of medications from that emergency box during the one-year extension. The motion passed.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Omnicare Pharmacy, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, by Ms. Jill Lowthorp-Hutchinson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Ms. Lowthorp-Hutchinson is requesting an extension of a previously granted variance that allowed Omnicare to provide emergency kits at several Detox Centers that they service. Ms. Betty Johnson then moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the previously granted variance be granted for an additional one-year period of time, but that Ms. Lowthorp-Hutchinson be requested to report back on usage of medications from these emergency kits during this one-year time period. The motion passed.

The next request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Regions Hospital Pharmacy, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Mr. Ken Nelson, Pharmacist-in-charge. Mr. Nelson is requesting an extension of the tech-check-tech program that had been implemented at Regions Hospital. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Mr. Chuck Cooper seconded that the previously granted variance be granted for an additional one-year period of time, but that Board inspectors recheck Regions Hospital for compliance within the next six months. The motion passed.

The final request for an extension of a previously granted variance was submitted on behalf of Syncor Pharmacy, in St. Paul, Minnesota, by Ms. Christie Hawkins-Rath, Pharmacist-in-charge. This previously granted variance allowed Syncor Pharmacy to dispense certain non-therapeutic (diagnostic) radioactive medications without identifying the containers as to specific patients. Mr. Vern Kassekert then moved and Ms. Betty Johnson seconded that the previously granted variance be extended for an additional one-year period of time. The motion passed.

At this time, Mr. Todd Sorensen and Ms. Kristin Janke, from the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy, appeared before the Board to discuss an immunization certificate program that is being developed for pharmacists by the College of Pharmacy. The immunization certificate program is designed to train pharmacists to safely and effectively administer vaccines to patients at their pharmacies. After a lengthy discussion about the legal issues surrounding pharmacist involvement in immunization programs, the Board determined that it will take this matter under consideration, and that Mr. Holmstrom should invite Mr. Sorensen to discuss the matter further with the Board at the Board's June 14, 2001, meeting.

The Board next turned its attention to the performance of the candidates for licensure by examination that have now successfully completed all parts of the January 2001 Board examination. For full board examination candidates, the Board determined that, in grading the examination, the NAPLEX portion of the exam would be weighted at 65% of the total, the Board's Practical examination portion at 20% of the total, and the Multi-State Pharmacy Jurisprudence Examination weighted at 15% of the total, and that the minimum passing score on each of those parts, as well as the minimum overall score, would be 75. With the passing level thus established, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the following candidates be granted licensure as pharmacists.

<u>NAME</u>	<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>REGISTRATION #</u>
Kent W. Herrmeyer	7773	117184-4
Haiyan Li	7782	117190-9

The Board next addressed itself to the performance of candidates for licensure by reciprocity that have taken the Reciprocity/Jurisprudence Examination since the Board's last meeting. After a thorough review of the performance of the candidates for licensure by reciprocity, Ms. Betty Johnson moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that, having passed the Jurisprudence Examination required of candidates for licensure by reciprocity, the following candidates be granted such licensure based on their current license to practice in the state listed with their name:

<u>CERTIFICATE #</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>STATE OF ORIGINAL LICENSURE</u>
7771	George P. Dzurino	MD
7777	Monica Darice Clark	ND
7778	Scarlett Theresa Nero	LA
7779	Troy Daniel Thompson	IA
7781	Pamela K. Wolf	ND
7783	Shari Ann Roche'	OH
7784	Michael T. Moritz	IL
7785	Lowell Garry Parlier	TN
7786	Lokendra Prasad Upadhyay	CO

Mr. Holmstrom next presented to the Board a list of pharmacists who have not renewed their licenses to practice for the years 1999, 2000, and 2001, and who are eligible to be dropped from the roles of licensed pharmacists in Minnesota. After reviewing the list of pharmacists, Mr. Chuck Cooper moved and Mr. Vern Kassekert seconded that the pharmacists whose names appear on the list attached to these minutes be dropped as licensed pharmacists in Minnesota. The motion passed.

Mr. Holmstrom next described for the Board the activities of a Disaster Task Force brought together by the Minnesota Pharmacists Association to develop policies and procedures for implementation by Minnesota pharmacists during times of natural or man-made disasters. The Disaster Task Force is requesting a statement of support for its work by the Board of Pharmacy. After a brief discussion, the Board directed Mr. Holmstrom to prepare a draft statement of support and provide it to the Board members for ratification.

The Board next turned its attention to the establishment of examination dates for the January 2002 and June 2002 Board exams. The Board established the date for the January exam as January 8, 2002, with the Board meeting held January 9, 2002, and for the June exam, established the date of June 4, 2002, for the examination, with the Board meeting held June 5, 2002.

Mr. Holmstrom next led a brief discussion regarding legislation proposed by State Senator Deanna Weiner regarding pharmacist dispensing of emergency contraception drugs, and on hospitals providing information and emergency contraception in cases of sexual assault. The Board developed a position of support for the bill involving pharmacist dispensing of emergency contraceptives and a position of neutrality on the bill involving hospital services regarding emergency contraception.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, President Benson adjourned the meeting at approximately 1:25 p.m.

PRESIDENT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR